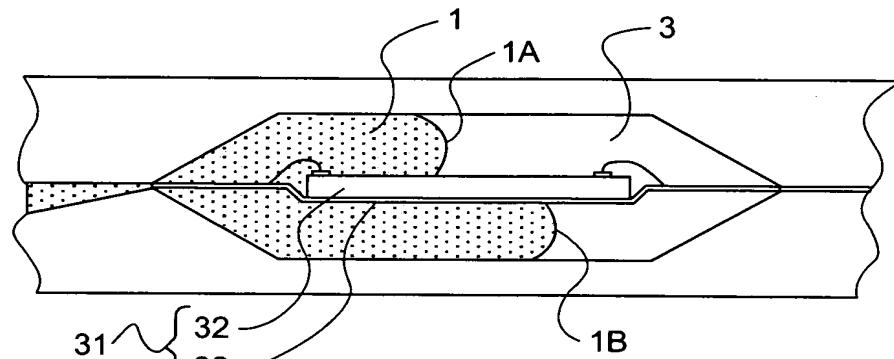
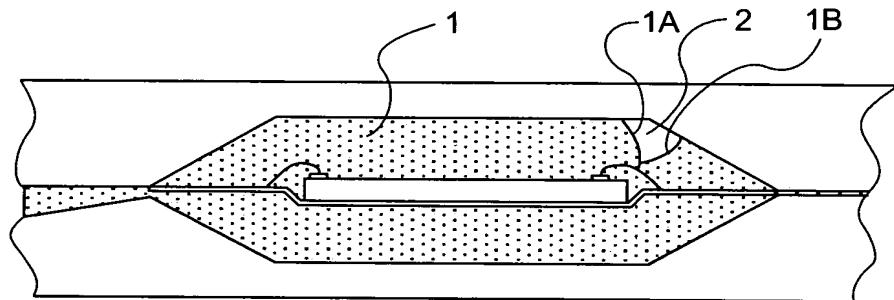




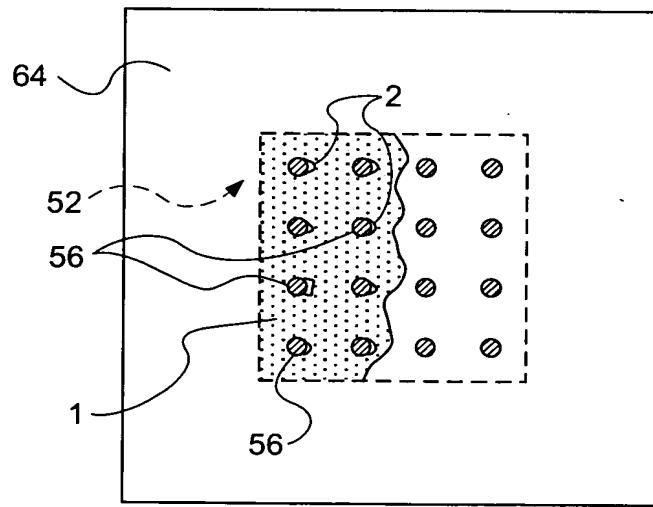
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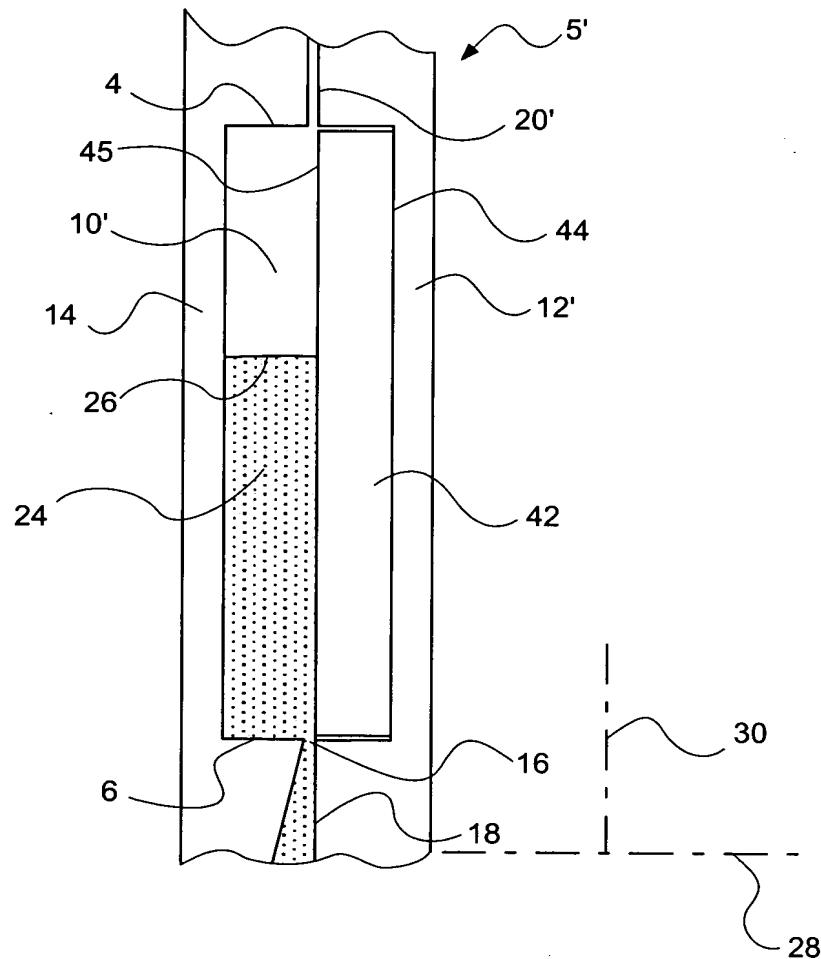
**FIG. 1**  
(PRIOR ART)



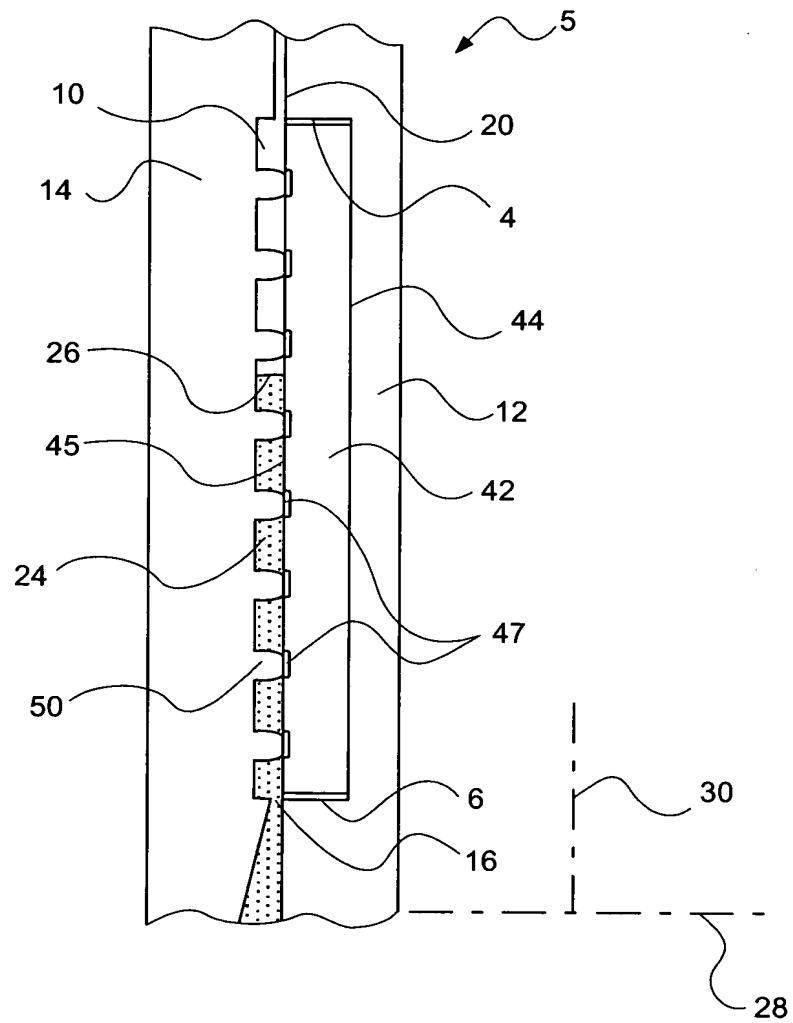
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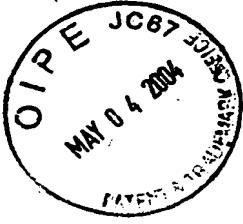
**FIG. 3**  
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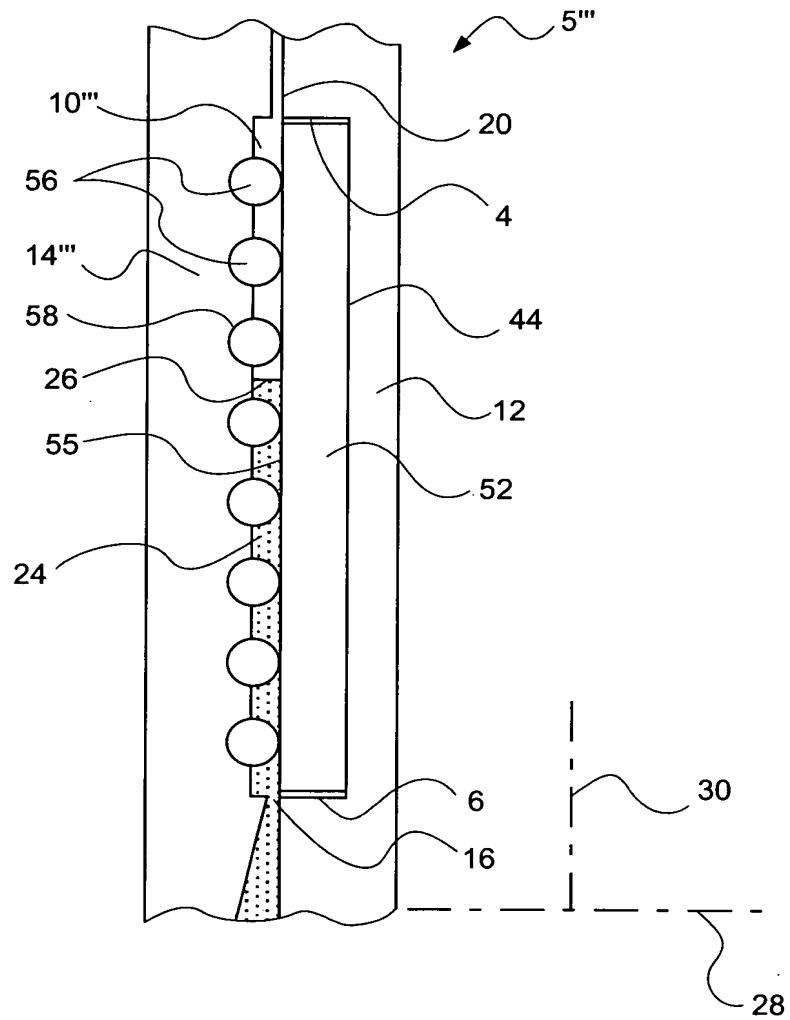
**FIG. 5**



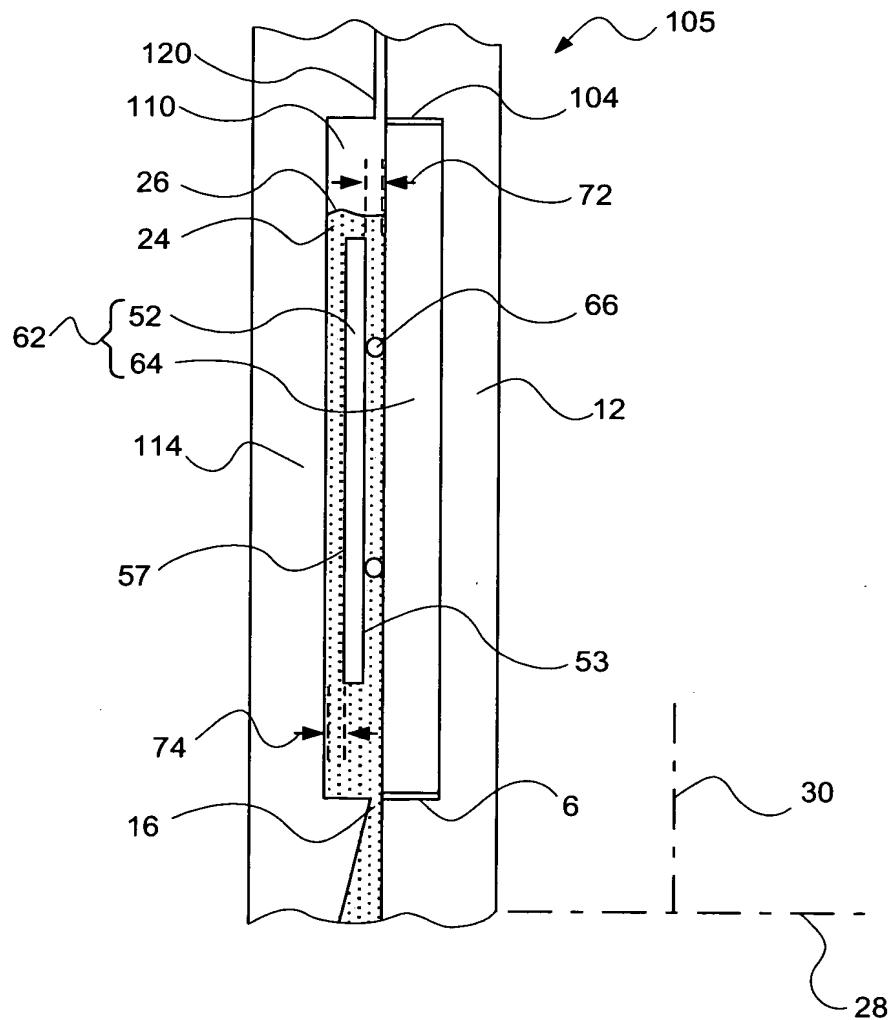
**FIG. 6**



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**FIG. 7**



**FIG. 8**